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SUBJECT: EMBASSY PARTICIPATION IN TELEVISED ROUND TABLE

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1. GIVEN INDEPENDENT COSTA RICAN SPONSORSHIP OF SAN JOSE PROGRAM AND CONSIDERATIONS OUTLINED REFTEL, DEPT WILL NOT OBJECT TO EMBASSY PARTICIPATION IN ROUND TABLE DESCRIBED IN REFTEL.

2. BERLIN 396 OF MARCH 5, STATE 049797 OF MARCH 16, PARIS 14022 OF MAY 21 AND BERLIN 938 OF JUNE 1 CONTAINING FURTHER INFO ON TENTH WORLD FESTIVAL OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS (WFYS) HAVE BEEN REPEATED TO SAN JOSE FOR YOUR INFO. INR RESEARCH STUDY RESS-24 OF MAY 29 ON WFYS HAS ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED BY EMBASSY. FROM ABOVE CABLES AND INR RESEARCH STUDY, PROPAGANDISTIC AIMS OF WFYS ARE EVIDENT. BEGIN FYI: USG POSITION IS THAT IT DOES NOT IN ANY WAY RECOGNIZE FESTIVAL OR INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL DELEGATIONS AS BEING REPRESENTATIVE OF WORLD YOUTH. FURTHER, WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANY DIRECT

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TIVE OF WORLD YOUTH. FURTHER, WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANY DIRECT

OR INDIRECT USG INVOLVEMENT IN THE FESTIVAL. USG IS NOT TRYING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE WFYS EXCEPT TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT. THE CONFERENCE IS BEING CO-SPONSORED BY INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST YOUTH ORGANINATIONS--THE WORLD FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH (WFDY) AND THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS (IUS). DELEGATION OF 300 FROM U.S. WILL BE HEADED BY ANGELA DAVIS, AND HAS APPARENTLY BEEN SCREENED

TO PROMOTE CONFERENCE GOALS. END FYI.

3. IF AS EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS WFYS WILL BE LARGELY IGNORED AT WHAT WILL BE BASICALLY A COSTA RICAN EVENT, DEPT BELIEVES EMBOFF SHOULD ALSO STRESS COSTA RICAN NATURE OF EVENT. IF, HOWEVER, QUESTION OF WFYS DOES COME UP, EMBOFF MIGHT POINT OUT INAPPROPRIATENESS OF WFY THEMES. EMBOFF MIGHT ALSO POINT OUT THAT THE TWO PRINCIPAL ORGANIZATIONS OF AMERICAN POLITICAL YOUTH--THE U.S. YOUTH COUNCIL (USYC) AND THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF YOUNG POLITICAL LEADER; (ACYPL)--WILL NOT ATTEND THE WFYS. RUSH

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